#### CALIFORNIA TAX CREDIT ALLOCATION COMMITTEE

Project Staff Report 2012 First Round July 11, 2012

Project Number CA-12-015

**Project Name** 9th & Broadway

Site Address: Southeast corner of 9th & Broadway

San Diego, CA 92101 County: San Diego

Census Tract: 52.000

Tax Credit Amounts Federal/Annual State/Total

Requested: \$1,796,503 \$0 Recommended: \$1,796,503 \$0

**Applicant Information** 

Applicant: BRIDGE Housing Corporation

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General partner(s) or principal owner(s): BRIDGE SC, LLC

General Partner Type: Nonprofit

Developer: BRIDGE Housing Corporation

Consultant: Community Economics

Management Agent: BRIDGE Property Management Company

**Project Information** 

Construction Type: New Construction

Total # Residential Buildings: 1 Total # of Units: 129

No. & % of Tax Credit Units: 128 100% Federal Set-Aside Elected: 40%/60%

Federal Subsidy: HUD Project Based Section 8 (88 Units - 69%)
Average Targeted Affordability of Special Needs/SRO Project Units: 34.92%

Affordability Breakdown by Units and % (Lowest Income Points):

30% AMI: 93 70 % 50% AMI: 28 20 %

Information

Set-Aside: SRO-Single Room Occupancy
Housing Type: Single Room Occupancy
Geographic Area: San Diego County
TCAC Project Analyst: DC Navarrette

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## **Unit Mix**

114 SRO/Studio Units
15 1-Bedroom Units
129 Total Units

			Proposed
	2012 Rents Targeted	2012 Rents Actual	Rent
	% of Area Median	% of Area Median	(including
Unit Type & Number	Income	Income	utilities)
12 SRO/Studio	30%	18%	\$256
79 SRO/Studio	30%	30%	\$422
7 SRO/Studio	40%	40%	\$563
16 SRO/Studio	50%	47%	\$656
2 1 Bedroom	30%	30%	\$452
12 1 Bedroom	50%	50%	\$749
1 1 Bedroom	Manager's Unit	Manager's Unit	\$0

Project Financing Residential

Estimated Total Project Cost: \$36,304,722 Construction Cost Per Square Foot:
Estimated Residential Project Cost: \$34,139,771 Per Unit Cost:
Estimated Commercial Project Cost: \$2,164,951

# **Construction Financing**

# **Permanent Financing**

\$179

\$264,649

Source	Amount	Source	Amount
US Bank	\$25,039,493	US Bank	\$350,000
City of San Diego RDA	\$2,527,899	City of San Diego RDA	\$2,527,899
MHSA	\$2,812,150	HCD - MHP	\$10,000,000
City Land Donation	\$1,588,463	MHSA	\$2,812,150
Tax Credit Equity	\$2,000,000	City Land Donation	\$1,588,463
		General Partner Equity	\$200,000
		Solar Credit Equity	\$86,427
		Tax Credit Equity	\$18,739,783
		TOTAL	\$36,304,722

# **Determination of Credit Amount(s)**

Requested Eligible Basis:	\$18,425,673
130% High Cost Adjustment:	Yes
Applicable Fraction:	100.00%
Qualified Basis:	\$23,953,375
Applicable Rate:	7.50%
Maximum Annual Federal Credit:	\$1,796,503
Approved Developer Fee in Project Cost:	\$1,400,000
Approved Developer Fee in Eligible Basis:	\$1,316,076
Consultant:	Community Economics
Federal Tax Credit Factor:	\$1.04313

Per Regulation Section 10322(i)(4)(A), The "as if vacant" land value and the existing improvement value established at application, as well as the eligible basis amount derived from those values, will be used during all subsequent reviews including the placed in service review, for the purpose of determining the final award of Tax Credits.

Per Regulation Section 10327(c)(2)(C), Once established at the initial funded application, the developer fee cannot be increased, but may be decreased, in the event of a modification in basis.

### **Eligible Basis and Basis Limit**

Requested Unadjusted Eligible Basis: \$18,425,673 Actual Eligible Basis: \$29,532,623 Unadjusted Threshold Basis Limit: \$22,127,646 Total Adjusted Threshold Basis Limit: \$31,525,941

### **Adjustments to Basis Limit:**

Required to Pay Prevailing Wages
Parking Beneath Residential Units
Local Development Impact Fees
95% of Upper Floor Units are Elevator-Serviced

#### **Tie-Breaker Information**

First: Single Room Occupancy

Second: **71.985%** 

### **Cost Analysis and Line Item Review**

Staff analysis of project costs to determine reasonableness found all fees to be within TCAC's underwriting guidelines and TCAC limitations. Annual operating expenses exceed the minimum operating expenses established in the Regulations, and the project pro forma shows a positive cash flow from year one. Staff has calculated federal tax credits based on 7.50% of the qualified basis, or, in the case of acquisition credit or credit combined with federal subsidies, 3.20%. Applicants are cautioned to consider the expected federal rate when negotiating with investors. TCAC's financial evaluation at project completion will determine the final allocation.

**Special Issues/Other Significant Information:** The applicant requested a waiver of TCAC Regulation Section 10325(f)(7)(E) and was granted approval for the use of an equivalent substitution for exterior doors. In addition, the applicant requested a waiver of TCAC Regulation Section 10325(g)(3)(B) and was granted approval for a variance on unit mix and size requirements.

**Legal Status:** Staff has reviewed the Applicant's responses to the questions contained in the Legal Status portion of the Application. No information was disclosed that raised any question regarding the financial viability or legal integrity of the applicant.

## **Local Reviewing Agency:**

The Local Reviewing Agency has not yet completed a site review of this project. Any negative comments in the LRA report will cause this staff report to be revised to reflect such comments.

**Recommendation:** Staff recommends that the Committee make a preliminary reservation of tax credits in the following amount(s) contingent upon standard conditions and any additional conditions imposed by the Committee:

Federal Tax Credits/Annual \$1,796,503 State Tax Credits/Total \$0

### **Standard Conditions**

The applicant must submit all documentation required for a Carryover Allocation, any Readiness to Proceed Requirements elected, and a Final Reservation. Failure to provide the documentation at the time required may result in rescission of the Credit reservation and cancellation of a carryover allocation.

TCAC makes the preliminary reservation only for the project specified above in the form presented, and involving the parties referred to in the application. No changes in the development team or the project as presented will be permitted without the express approval of TCAC.

The applicant must pay TCAC a performance deposit and allocation fee calculated in accordance with regulation. Additionally, TCAC requires the project owner to pay a monitoring fee before issuance of tax forms.

As project costs are preliminary estimates only, staff recommends that a reservation be made in the amount of federal credit and state credit shown above on condition that the final project costs be supported by itemized lender approved costs and certified costs after the buildings are placed in service.

All unexpended funds in reserve accounts established for the project must remain with the project to be used for the benefit of the property and/or its residents, except for the portion of any accounts funded with deferred developer fees.

All fees charged to the project must be within TCAC limitations. Fees in excess of these limitations will not be considered when determining the amount of credit when the project is placed-in-service.

The applicant/owner shall be subject to underwriting criteria set forth in Section 10327 of the regulations through the final feasibility analysis performed by TCAC at placed-in-service.

Credit awards are contingent upon applicant's acceptance of any revised total project cost, qualified basis and tax credit amount determined by TCAC in its final feasibility analysis.

The applicant must ensure the project meets all Additional Threshold Requirements of the proposed project. If points were awarded for service amenities, the applicant will be required to provide such amenity or amenities identified in the application, for a minimum period of ten years and at no cost to the tenants. Applicants that received points for sustainable building methods (energy efficiency) must submit the certification required by Section 10325(c)(6) at project completion. Applicants that received increases (exceptions to limits) in the threshold basis limit under Section 10327(c)(5) must submit the certification required by Section 10322(i)(2) at project completion.

**Additional Conditions:** None

Dointa System	Max. Possible	Requested	Points
Points System	Points	Points	Awarded
Cost Efficiency / Credit Reduction / Public Funds	20	20	20
Public Funds	20	20	20
Owner / Management Characteristics	9	9	9
General Partner Experience	6	6	6
Management Experience	3	3	3
Housing Needs	10	10	10
Site Amenities	15	15	15
Within ¼ mile of transit stop, service every 30 min, 25 units/acre density	7	7	7
Within ½ mile of public park or community center open to general public	2	2	2
Within ¼ mile of public library	3	3	3
Within ½ mile of a full-scale grocery/supermarket of at least 25,000 sf	4	4	4
Within ½ mile of a pharmacy	1	1	1
Service Amenities	10	10	10
SPECIAL NEEDS AND SRO HOUSING TYPES			
Service Coordinator/Other Services Specialist, 1 FTE to 360 bedrooms	5	5	5
Adult ed/health & wellness/skill building classes, min. 84 hours/year instruction	5	5	5
Sustainable Building Methods	10	10	10
NEW CONSTRUCTION/ADAPTIVE REUSE			
Develop project in accordance w/ requirements of: LEED	5	5	5
Energy efficiency beyond CA Building Code Title 24 requirements: 17.5%	3	3	3
Develop project to requirements of: LEED Silver	3	3	3
Lowest Income	52	52	52
Basic Targeting	50	50	50
Deeper Targeting – at least 10% of units @ 30% AMI or less	2	2	2
Readiness to Proceed	20	20	20
Miscellaneous Federal and State Policies	2	2	2
Qualified Census Tract	2	2	2
Total Points	148	148	148

<u>Please Note:</u> If more than the maximum Site Amenity points were requested, not all amenities may have been scored and/or verified.

DO NOT RELY ON SCORING IN THIS COMPETITIVE CYCLE FOR FUTURE APPLICATIONS. ALL RE-APPLICATIONS ARE REVIEWED WITHOUT RELIANCE ON PAST SCORING.